

Council Members Present

Joe Ayala

Lynn Boshart

Lacy Kendall

David Maskell

Gem Montes

Bedalia Valdes

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes

Council Member Bedalia Valdes moved to approve the minutes of the July meeting. Council Member Maskell seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Chairman Remarks

None

Staff Reports

Field Representative – Lisha Smith

Mrs. Smith provided information on upcoming events in the county. There will be a Senior Health Fair on Wednesday, September 12, 2007 at the National Orange Show. A flyer is available. Cooling centers are open to the public throughout the county. A flyer is available with listings. Arrowhead Regional Medical Center will be celebrating their 5th Annual Community Health & Safety Fair on Saturday, September 22, 2007. A flyer is available with complete information.

Mrs. Smith provided information on the Green County San Bernardino Brochure. San Bernardino County is continuing to act as a leader in environmental stewardship to improve health and economic well-being through the Green County San Bernardino program. To achieve its goals, the County has implemented policies and programs to improve our sustainability. A brochure is available with complete information.

Sheriff's Department – Tim O'Connell for Capt. John Powell

Capt. John Powell was not present. Tim O'Connell was present and introduced Detective Ryan Ford. Tim O'Connell stated that there is not much to report, as there has not been much activity in the area. He responded to residents' questions and concerns about dirt bike riding on vacant lots.

The Fontana Sheriff's Station is responsible for serving the unincorporated communities of Rialto. For non-emergency calls and/or information residents may contact the station at (909) 356-6767. For emergencies call 911.

California Highway Patrol – Officer Joe Ramos

Officer Ramos was not present.

To report complaints residents are encouraged to contact the CHP front desk officer at (909) 383-4247. The CHP also offers a safe driving program for young drivers. For more info contact (909) 383-4247.

Old Business

Action Items

None

Non-Action Items

Update on the Riverside Avenue Landscape Project- Tim Millington, County of San Bernardino Special Districts.

Mr. Millington reported that the project is complete with the exception of some plant replacement and additional mulch in certain areas. The landscape is still under establishment.

There will be reseeding of turf grass after the fungus problem discovered along the upper part of the median is handled. Water levels have had to be adjusted to kill the fungus and prevent it from spreading. Some of the problems with the existing landscape have been the palm germination, high temperatures, and traffic issues.

Mr. Millington and the landscaper met and together they have developed a maintenance routine plan of once a week, possible day will be Mondays.

Tim Millington then responded to questions from the public.

Please call Special Districts for any concerns: (909) 387- 5940

New Business

Action Items

None

Non-Action Items

None

Member Reports

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No Report

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No Report

Bedalia Valdes

No Report

David Maskell

No Report

Subcommittee Reports

Code Enforcement – Phillip Salazar/Bob Kern

New Complaints have to be called in to the Fontana office at (909) 428-8444. To follow up on existing complaints, please call (909) 428-8425. For Fire Hazard abatement please call (909) 387-4123. Mr. Salazar responded to questions from the public.

Bob Kern is following up on residents' inquiries and concerns about the number of group homes in the El Rancho Verde community. He is following steps the City of Ontario is taking to address the problem to see how it works out there.

Community Enrichment – Gem Montes & Lacey Kendall

Council Members Gem Montes and Lacey Kendall informed community members that the cost to set up a website will range from approximately \$300-\$500 dollars, whereas to set up and maintain a blog will not cost anything.

New Development – Lynn Boshart

Council Member Boshart reported that there will be new water piping along Riverside Avenue to service future development. There will also be striping on Riverside Avenue and Freeway entrance.

Signage Along Riverside Ave. – Lacey Kendall

Council Member Kendall reported that the paint job on Knollwood and Riverside was completed, but colors were not as thought. New colors will be tan and darker green for the letters. All paint and labor has been paid by Lacey Kendall.

Public Comment

Residents asked about SANBAG's promise to the resurface Riverside Avenue with the opening of the 210 Freeway. It has not been done yet. They also complained about the confusion caused by the striping along Riverside Avenue in front of the Ralph's shopping center.

Code Enforcement Officer Salazar stated that trash cans cannot remain in front of a resident's property no more than 12 hours before pick-up and no longer than 24 hours after pick-up.

Adjournment

Council Member Boshart made a motion to adjourn until the next El Rancho Verde MAC meeting until the second Tuesday in October. Council Member Kendall seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 pm to the next scheduled MAC meeting on Tuesday, October 9, 2007.

Submitted by: Laura Villalobos – El Rancho Verde MAC Secretary (909) 387-4565